



Prairie Rod & Gun Club

Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

December 23, 2016

Meeting announcement: **Crawford County Sheriff's Dept upstairs, 7:00 PM, Tues, Jan 2, 2018.**

We have two items of major business at the January meeting. Our first annual election of officers will take place at the meeting. When we updated our by-laws early in 2017 the election of officers was set for the first meeting of the year. The election board did a canvas and will present a list of people interested in becoming an officer or being placed on the board of directors. If you were not contacted by the election board and want to enter the election, show up at the meeting and get nominated for the position you want to run for.

This month we will also be tackling the upcoming **Deer Show**. Participant and vendor letters will be prepared for mailing while arrangements for the show will be discussed including additional raffles, silent auction, and publicity. Pre-event raffle tickets are available. Contact Denny or Stark's Sports Shop for tickets to sell or buy. The pre-event raffle prize is a Browning A Bolt III. This raffle is a **big money maker** for the club so do your best in selling the tickets. Posters to be put out are also available from Denny, 326-2718.

The **sportsman's silent auction** is slated to return this year. This part of the Deer Show has been a good money maker for the club and for those who participated. If you have an outdoor related item, like a print or hunting jacket, you want to sell bring it to the show for the silent auction. Put the price you want for the item on the bidding list as the minimum price. The item is displayed and people at the show can bid on it. After closing the auction bids will be pulled and winners will be notified. When the item is paid for you get your price and the club gets whatever is over your minimum price. If you put \$80 as the minimum price on your item and it sells for \$100 you get \$80 and the club would get \$20. Please limit your items for the auction to those within the outdoors related disciplines. Sorry, no firearms are allowed. If you have questions contact Denny, 326-2718.

If you know of possible vendors for the Deer Show contact Denny with their name and address so a vendor invite can be sent to them. We have a list but more vendors are needed. Vendors pay \$25 for an 8 foot table.

Set aside some time on Feb 16 &/or 17 to help out with the show. **We will need people** to help with set up, take down, placing racks and mounts on display boards, running raffles, taking admissions, and registrations. Your help is needed. This event is our only club money maker so make an effort, even if only for a couple of hours. We also need members to sell pre-event raffle tickets. Thanks.

Your 2017 **Membership** expires the end of December. Upon renewal you will again be asked if you want the newsletter and if so, by what form: email, regular mail, or off the web site. Currently about 200 of our 300 members get the newsletter by email, another 90 get the newsletter by mail while others opt out of getting a newsletter. If you have previously signed the **Hold Harmless Form** you will not have to do it again. All you have to do is simply check on your membership card that you have previously signed the form. New members will be asked to sign the form. Range rules are available when you renew your membership. You can get a copy of the range rules from Stark's Sport Shop or our website, www.prairierodandgunclub.org. If you have questions on this matter contact Denny at 326-2718. Fence lock combo will be changed after Jan 1.

Range schedule: Nothing scheduled